All-Hazards Incident Management Team



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What is an All-Hazards Incident Management Team?

- A team comprised of:
- Personnel from single or multiple agencies and jurisdictions
- Community resources
- An IMT is activated when an incident or planned event exceeds local capabilities

What kind of incidents can we respond to?

Type 3 IMT will respond, in general, to major or complex incidents. The term major or complex incident may have different meanings to different agencies depending upon the size of the jurisdiction, number of resources available, and other variables. However, in the context of incident management, major incidents generally:



Definition of a major or complex incident?

- Involve more than one agency and/or political jurisdiction
- Involve complex management and communication issues
- Require experienced, highly qualified supervisory personnel
- Involve multiple victims with injuries, fatalities or illnesses.*

Type 3 Incident Description

In a Type 3 incident, some of all of the Command and General Staff positions may be activated, as well as, Division/Group Supervisor and/or unit Leader-level positions. And AHIMT of incident command organization manages initial action incidents with significant number of resources, an extended incident until containment/control is achieved, or an expanding incident until transition to a Type 1 or Type 2 IMT.

A Multiagency/multijurisdiction team for extended incidents, formed and managed as the Sate, regional, Tribal, or metropolitan level.

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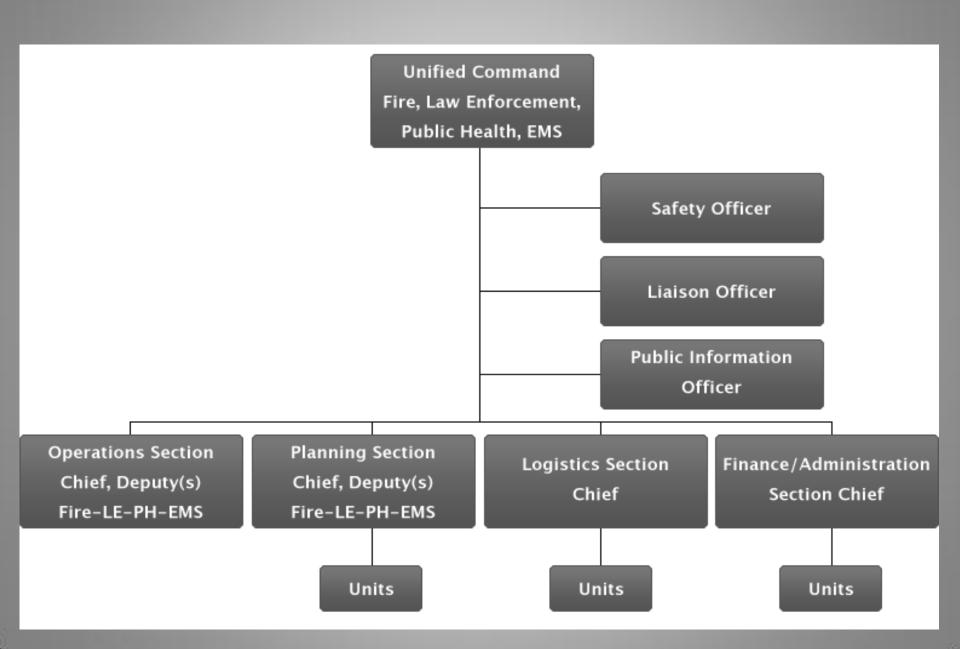
Deployed as a team of 10 to 20 trained personnel to manage major and or complex incidents requiring a significant number of local, regional, and Sate resources, and incidents that extends into multiple operational periods and require a written Incident Action Plan (IAP)

May be used as incidents such as a tornado touchdown, earthquake, flood. Or multiday hostage, standoff situation, or at planned events

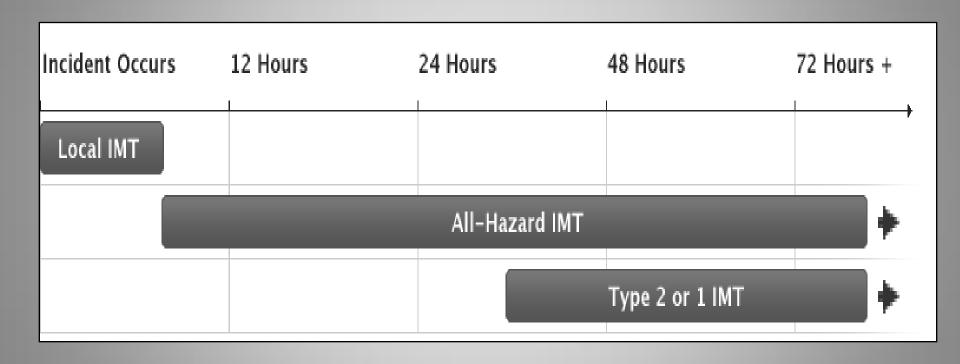
May be used as a resource when a community exercise their Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP)

May manage larger, more complex incidents initially, prior to arrival of and transition to a Type 2 or Type 1 IMT

Team Structure:



Timeline for Response and Operations (from USFA guidelines)



Technical Assistance Program

AHIMT – Utilization

Can be activated within the State/UASI Region

Some recent examples:

Texas Wildland Fires

Big Spring Texas Refinery Fire

NW Colorado Team-Salmonella Alamoosa County

NW Washington Team- Eco Terrorism Fires

Phoenix- JOC Support for the Super Bowl

NCR- Papal Visit

Lessons Learned

- Bring your partners to the table.
- Find your local counterpart to create an atmosphere of genuine concern of the local issues.
- And most of all be flexible!

Works Consulted:

http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/fireservice/subjects/incident/imt/index.shtm training.fema.gov/TEConf/doc/May%2014%20-%20Day%203/TWT%20briefing.ppt

ICS-400: Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff, Complex Incidents and MACS for Operational First Responders (H-467). www.emacintl.com/docs/imt-presentation.